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REMARKS

The examiner pointed out that the headings for the various sections of the patent application should be added.

The first two pages of the application have been amended to show the headings added.

The examiner rejected claim 18 for lack of antecedent basis of "said bar", "said slidable member" and "said locking member".

Claim 18 has been amended to depend from claim 9 to provide proper antecedent basis for the objected to elements.

The examiner rejected claims 1-3, 6-8 and 18 as being anticipated by Shiotani et al.

The application in claim 1 requires the provision of a mechanical connection, linking of the respective portions of the guide means, to pull and push the other of the portions into and out of engagement respectively with the other side of the apparatus.

Since claim 1 has as an element "a mechanical connection that pulls and pushes the other of said portions into and out of engagement respectively with the other side of the apparatus" which is lacking in the Shiotani et al. reference, claim 1 is not anticipated.

The examiner stated that Shiotani et al. Fig. 35 reference number 411 shows one side of the apparatus being linked to the other of the portion by means of a mechanical connection. However this is only a portion of the claim language in applicants claim 1. The claim, as amended in the last paper, states that the mechanical connection pulls and pushes the other of said portions into and out of engagement respectively with the other side of the apparatus.

Shiotani et al. Fig. 35 shows a connecting rod 411 which does not connect to

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the other portions on the other side of the apparatus. Connecting rod 411 dead ends at adjustment screw 415 and can only push on the adjustment screw to effect the other end of the device. Connecting rod 411 cannot pull the portions on the other side of the apparatus as the limitation in claim 1 reads.

In claim 1 of the application the provision of a mechanical connection between the first and second portions of the guide means forms a transmission by means of which the second portion is positively pulled into engagement or pushed out of engagement with the other side of the apparatus. Shiotani et al. does not anticipate the claims since this element is missing.

Since claim 1 is allowable over the reference and all claims are dependent on claim 1 all the claims are believed to be allowable.